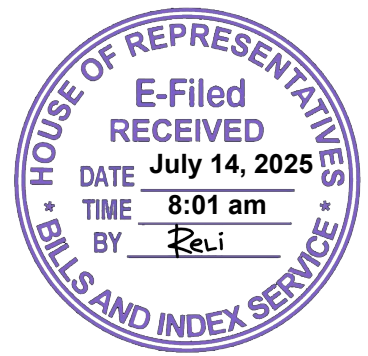


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill was approved by the House of Representatives during the 19th Congress.

Republic Act 10919 or the University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines Act provided for the establishment of the University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines (USTSP). It is a state university established through the amalgamation of the Mindanao University of Science and Technology (MUST) in Cagayan de Oro City, Misamis Oriental and the Misamis Oriental State College of Agriculture and Technology (MOSCAT) in Claveria, Misamis Oriental.

The law provides that the main campus of the USTSP shall be in Alubijid, Misamis Oriental.

At present, the University has satellite campuses in Jasaan, Misamis Oriental, Panaon and Oroquieta, Misamis Occidental.

In order to achieve the mission of the University to bring the world of work (industry) into the actual higher education and training of students, and in order to provide quality education to more students, there is a need to further expand the University.

A satellite campus in Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro City will further serve the youth of the eastern part of the 2nd District of Cagayan de Oro City.

In view of the foregoing, immediate approval of this measure is earnestly requested.


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AN ACT

CONVERTING THE EXTENSION CAMPUSES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES LOCATED IN BARANGAY BALUBAL, CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY, AND IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF JASAAN, BOTH IN THE PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL, INTO REGULAR CAMPUSES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. Short Title. – This Act shall be known as the “*University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines (USTSP)-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro and Jasaan Campuses Act*”.

SEC. 2. Conversion into Regular Campuses. - The USTSP shall convert its extension campuses located in Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro City, and in the Municipality of Jasaan, Both in the Province of Misamis Oriental, to be known as the “*USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus and USTSP-Jasaan Campus*”.

SEC. 3. General Mandate. - The USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus and USTSP-Jasaan Campus shall offer undergraduate and graduate courses within their areas of competencies and specialization, as the Board of Regents, hereinafter referred to as the Board, may deem necessary for the accomplishment of their objectives, and those which respond to the human resource development needs of the Province of Misamis Oriental and Northern Mindanao Region. The USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus and USTSP-Jasaan Campus shall each be mandated to undertake research and extension services in support of their socio-economic development and to provide progressive leadership in these areas.

SEC. 4. Supervision and Management of the USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus and USTSP-Jasaan Campus. – The USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus and USTSP-Jasaan Campus shall each be headed by a Campus Director who shall render full-time service and shall be appointed by the Board, subject to its guidelines, qualifications, and standards, and upon the recommendation of a Search Committee duly constituted for the purpose of selecting each Campus Director.

SEC. 5. Compliance with the Requirements of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED). - The USTSP shall ensure the compliance of the USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus and USTSP-Jasaan Campus with the policies, standards, and guidelines of the CHED for the operation of regular campuses, including those related to the offering of their courses and the introduction of new or revised programs prior to their conversion as regular campuses.

SEC 6. Management of Personnel, Assets and Records of the Campuses. - All assets,

both real and personal, personnel, and records of the USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus and USTSP-Jasaan Campus, as well as their liabilities or obligations, shall be transferred to the USTSP. The positions, rights, and security of tenure of faculty members and personnel therein employed under existing laws prior to their conversion into regular campuses shall be respected.

All parcels of land belonging to the government occupied by the USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus and the USTSP-Jasaan Campus shall be transferred to the USTSP: *Provided*, That should the campuses or the USTSP cease to exist or be abolished or should such aforementioned parcels of land be no longer needed by the USTSP, the same shall revert to the local government units concerned or the Republic of the Philippines, as the case may be.

SEC. 7. *Suppletory Application.* - The provisions of Republic Act No. 8292, otherwise known as the “Higher Education Modernization Act of 1997”, shall form part of this Act.

SEC. 8. *Appropriations.* -The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 9. *Separability Clause.* – If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 10. *Repealing Clause.* - All other laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 12. *Effectivity.* - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,